



## John Frederic Montalto

December 13, 1952 - December 23, 2021

Rosary for U.S. Army Retired Major John Frederic Montalto, 69, of Bullard, TX, will be at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 30, 2021 with visitation following at Stewart Family Funeral Home in Tyler, TX. Services will be held on Friday, December 31, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at Stewart Family Funeral Home. Graveside services will be at 10:15 a.m. on Thursday, January 6, 2022, at the Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Major Montalto died Thursday, December 23, 2021 in Bullard, TX. He was born December 13, 1952 in Chicago, IL to Conrad and Mary Kay DeWitt Montalto. He graduated from Loyola Academy in Wilmette, IL, then earned a nursing degree from the College of St. Mary in Omaha, NE, and a Master's in Nursing from University of Texas in Arlington, TX. The Major served 4 years in the U.S. Air Force, then 22 years in the U.S. Army, including the Vietnam War and Operation Desert Storm. He earned the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, and the Meritorious Service Medal. His time in the military allowed him to travel the world and he was stationed in Thailand, Germany, Nebraska, Colorado, Panama, Tennessee, Kansas, Utah, and Texas. After his retirement from the Army, he was employed in Tyler as the Trinity Mother Frances Clinical Director of the Emergency Department and Flight for Life, then as the Nurse Educator for the East Texas Medical Center. After an impressive career in nursing, he proudly served as a Professor of Nursing at Tyler Junior College

and the University of Texas at Tyler.

John was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his loving family, including his wife, J. Michelle Nelson of Bullard, TX, and her four children; his five children, Erin Montalto of San Antonio, TX, Quentin Montalto and his fiancée, Joselyn, of Austin, TX, Jonathan Montalto and his wife, Kaity, of Houston, TX, Cassandra Montalto of Houston, TX, and Jennifer Montalto Muzik of Dallas, TX; his brother, Lawrence Montalto of Shelbyville, KY; his sisters, Mary Frances Wilczenski of Chicago, IL, and Constance Diaz of Chicago, IL; and his dog, Leo. He also leaves behind a large extended family, friends, colleagues, and students who will miss him as well.

# Previous Events

## Rosary

DEC 30. 5:30 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home  
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy  
Tyler, TX 75703  
(903) 581-2008

## Visitation

DEC 30. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home  
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy  
Tyler, TX 75703  
(903) 581-2008

## Service

DEC 31. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tyler, TX 75703  
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## Graveside Service

JAN 6. 10:15 AM (CT)

Ft Sam Houston National Cemetery  
1520 Harry Wurzbach Road  
San Antonio, TX 78209



# Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Frederic Montalto



Stewart Family Funeral Home - December 30, 2021 at 11:20 AM

RG

“ We're so very sorry for your loss. Our family will keep your family in our thoughts and prayers.  
What happy memories I have of our High School years. John was a great friend who I will miss.  
We wish you comfort and peace during this difficult time.  
Rich & Connie Gluth

Richard Gluth - January 06, 2022 at 11:29 AM

KW

“ He was an amazing educator. He taught me to be the best Nurse I can be. I will never forget the valuable lessons and encouragement throughout the early days of my career. May God wrap is arms around his sweet family and give you all comfort and peace. ~ Kathy White



Kathy White - December 31, 2021 at 05:12 PM

CS

“ John will be deeply missed by all of us at TJC. He was always compassionate and easygoing. He will be missed. Prayers for the family at this time and throughout the year.  
Cathy Garcia and Sandra Sims



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**Cathy D Garcia/Sandra Sims** - December 30, 2021 at 06:35 PM

CW

“ The last picture John sent to us of our “team”.



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**Cindy Ward** - December 30, 2021 at 11:45 AM

CW

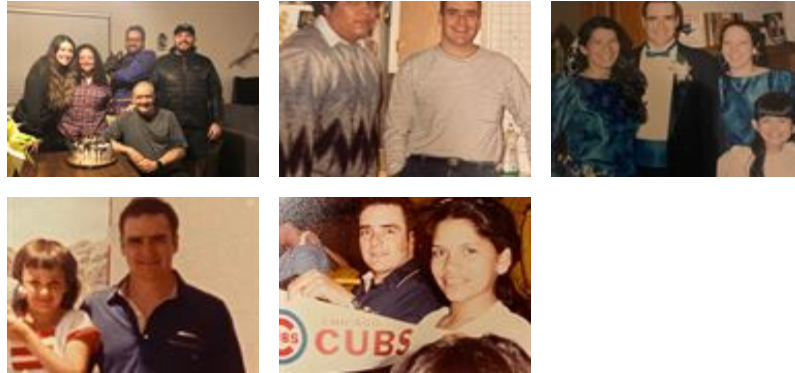
“ I have had the honor and pleasure of working with John at Tyler Junior College for the past several years and specifically for the past three years on a daily basis teaching Level 1 Associate Degree Nursing. He will be deeply missed by all who worked with and learned from him. His dry humor that kept us laughing will most certainly be missed and I will never look at a pig again without thinking of our beloved John. The text messages with pig pictures will be especially missed :- ) Fly high my friend. We will never forget you.  
Cindy Ward

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**Cindy Ward** - December 30, 2021 at 11:38 AM



“ 84 files added to the album Life Tributes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - December 30, 2021 at 11:15 AM

VJ

“ My sincere condolences to the entire Montalto family. I worked with Hohn many years ago at ETMC. He was a blessing to work with and it was an honor to call him my friend. He will be missed. My prayers are with his family.

Vicki Jowell - December 29, 2021 at 11:24 PM

AF

“ John was a wonderful educator and nurse! He believed in me and molded me to be the nurse I am today! I am thankful for him. I will be praying for the family and many people who he touched. He would check in with me on Social media just to ask how I was doing. Such an awesome man who will be greatly missed!

Ashlei Ford - December 29, 2021 at 09:45 PM

KF

“ Kelly Cobb and Family purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of John Frederic Montalto.



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**Kelly Cobb and Family** - December 29, 2021 at 08:51 PM

BO

“ My deepest condolences to the entire Montalto family. I am so sorry to hear of John's passing. I met John In El Paso in the early 80s, were room mates for a few years, were in the same Army Reserve unit, and became close friends. He was the best man in my wedding and I was the same in his. I remember sharing many late night desert adventures in his Jeep, from rabbit hunting to simply exploring new trails, and laughing a lot. John shared his knowledge of the Military, emergency medicine, and just life in general. He was like the brother I never had. I will miss him. Rest in peace my brother.

*Bryan Olson, El Paso, TX.*

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**Bryan W. Olson** - December 29, 2021 at 04:41 PM

CM

*It is so endearing to read from the friends John met thru out his career, his life. We met all the Montalto's when they moved next door in 1967?? But we kept up to date with Johns travels after he joined the army thru his sibilings. It is great to hear he continued to embrace life and the people in it.*

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**Catherine Tinen Mann** - January 08, 2022 at 11:59 AM

CM

*Whoops, I should have capitalized Army.*

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**Catherine Tinen Mann** - January 08, 2022 at 12:01 PM

BO

“ *Bryan W. Olson lit a candle in memory of John Frederic Montalto*



Bryan W. Olson - December 29, 2021 at 04:28 PM

SF

“ *Sara Luce & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John Frederic Montalto.*



Sara Luce & Family - December 29, 2021 at 03:39 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of John Frederic Montalto.*



December 29, 2021 at 02:52 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Frederic Montalto.*



December 29, 2021 at 02:41 PM

MS

“ Mike Smith lit a candle in memory of John Frederic Montalto



Mike Smith - December 28, 2021 at 03:23 PM

PC

“ So honored to have worked with John at Mother Frances Hospital. Always a gentlemen, always looking for ways to make things better for everyone else. Of course he true love was teaching where he will be surely missed. It was an honor to have called him a friend. What a legacy he has left for our community and all of us who knew him.

Patricia Tish Cline

Patricia Tish Cline - December 28, 2021 at 03:15 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of John Frederic Montalto.



December 28, 2021 at 02:32 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Frederic Montalto.



December 28, 2021 at 01:46 PM

AN

“ *Donation made in memory of John F Montalto to the TJC foundation*

*“John was an amazing educator that supported all students especially our veteran students. TJC has suffered a great loss and Heaven gained an Angel.”*



**Angela Nachman** - December 28, 2021 at 08:42 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of John Frederic Montalto.*



December 27, 2021 at 06:47 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of John Frederic Montalto.*



December 27, 2021 at 04:47 PM

TF

“ *The Serrano Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of John Frederic Montalto.*



**The Serrano Family** - December 27, 2021 at 11:07 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Frederic Montalto.*



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December 26, 2021 at 08:36 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of John Frederic Montalto.*



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December 26, 2021 at 01:07 PM



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**Jonathan Montalto** - December 26, 2021 at 12:55 PM



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**Jonathan Montalto** - December 26, 2021 at 12:52 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of John Frederic Montalto.*



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December 26, 2021 at 10:13 AM



“ *The Want Family lit a candle in memory of John Frederic Montalto*



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**The Want Family** - December 26, 2021 at 10:11 AM



“ *What a kind & caring person. Thanks to Mr. M, we got to know Mr.Schmo. John had the ability to help each of us be the best we could be. He shared stories with our students & colleagues that we will cherish forever. He touched so many lives and made a lasting impression on each of us. I will miss my friend & colleague.*

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**Karen Cooper** - December 26, 2021 at 12:36 AM



“ *Michele Havard lit a candle in memory of John Frederic Montalto*



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**Michele Havard** - December 25, 2021 at 08:38 AM



“ *Trey Moses lit a candle in memory of John Frederic Montalto*



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**Trey Moses** - December 25, 2021 at 03:31 AM



“ *You’ve always been the one I’ve looked up to for advice and assistance. We should celebrate your life, as you’ve impacted mine more than you’ll ever know.*

*I’ll pray for you and your family.*



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**Aristotle Montgomery** - December 24, 2021 at 10:05 PM



“ *My love and prayers are with you all. Mr. Montalto was an amazing teacher. I will miss him tremendously!*

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**Saran Heavner** - December 24, 2021 at 09:39 PM